# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
# LOK SABHA

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Export of Cash Crops
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government provides financial assistance for export of certain cash crops;
(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of these crops;
(c) whether the Government is contemplating to frame a uniform policy for promotion of export of cash crops in the country; and
(d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b): Government provides financial and technical assistance to the growers and other stakeholders to boost export of cash crops namely tea, coffee, rubber, spices, tobacco and cashew which includes, inter alia, participation in trade fairs, exhibitions, buyer-seller meets, brand promotion, public relation campaigns and incentives for export of value added products.

(c) & (d): The Government has introduced unified export promotion scheme for merchandise exports including that of cash crops viz. Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS). The scheme provides incentive in the form of duty credit scrip to the exporter to compensate for his loss on payment of duties. The incentive is paid as percentage of the realized FOB value (in free foreign exchange) for notified goods going to notified markets.
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